

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Ikuo TAKAHASHI et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1711**

Serial Number: **10/698,934**

Examiner: **Nathan M. Nutter**

Filed: **November 3, 2003**

Confirmation No.: **5043**

For: **A BIODEGRADABLE PLASTIC COMPOSITION, A MOLDED ARTICLE THEREOF AND A METHOD FOR CONTROLLING BIODEGRADATION RATE USING THE SAME COMPOSITION**

Attorney Docket Number: **032044**

Customer Number: **38834**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: September 1, 2005

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 3, 2005 for **one month** from **August 3, 2005** to **September 3, 2005**.

Attached please find a check in the amount of **\$120.00** to cover the cost of the extension. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

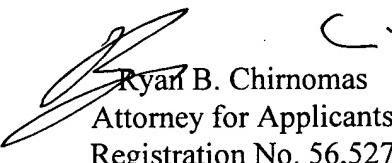
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